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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Jehovah Shalom, we claim Isaiah's promise about Your faithfulness: "You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You."—Isaiah 26:3. This is good news! You stay our minds on You. This gives us lasting peace of mind and serenity of soul. You know how easily we can be distracted. For hours on end, we can forget You. Often we press on in our work, depending on our own strength, insight, or priorities with little thought of You or time for prayer. That's why Isaiah's promise is so propitious. You won't forget us nor allow us to forget You. You will invade our thinking and remind us that we belong to You, that You are Sovereign of this land, that You are in control, and that our chief end is to glorify You and enjoy You forever.

Bless the Senators today. Rivet their minds on You. Guide their thinking and their decisions. The future of our Nation depends on leaders who seek first Your will and righteousness. Help them to be attentive to You and keep them attuned to Your voice. Thank You in advance for a day filled with Your perfect peace. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator HATCH is now designated to lead the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Honorable ORRIN HATCH, a Senator from the State of Utah, led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE Mr. DURBIN addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able Senator from Illinois is recog-

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, it is my understanding that I have been allocated 30 minutes in morning business, if I am not mistaken. I will be happy to yield to my colleague from Utah.

Mr. HATCH. Will the Senator from Illinois yield, because I understood I was to begin. I have to do the leadership announcements, and then I was supposed to give my statement.

Mr. DURBIN. I am happy to yield to my colleague.

Mr. HATCH. If my colleague will yield, I would appreciate it.

I thank the Senator.

SCHEDULE

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, today the Senate will be in a period of morning business until 10:30 a.m. Following morning business, the Senate will resume debate on the intelligence authorization bill with Senator BINGAMAN to be recognized to offer a second-degree amendment regarding field reporting. Other amendments are expected to be offered and debated throughout today's session of the Senate. Therefore, Senators can expect votes throughout the day and into the evening. The majority leader would like to inform all Members that the Senate will remain in session today until action is completed on the pending intelligence authorization bill.

Upon completion of that bill, it is the intention of the majority leader to proceed to any appropriations bill on the calendar.

I thank my colleagues for their attention.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ALLARD). Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 10:30 a.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein up to 5 minutes each.

Under the previous order, the Senator from Illinois, Mr. DURBIN, or his designee, is to be recognized to speak up to 30 minutes. Also under the previous order, the Senator from Utah, Mr. Hatch, or his designee, is to be recognized to speak up to 30 minutes.

The Senator from Utah.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I thank my colleague from Illinois for allowing me to proceed with the two sets of remarks I would like to make.

CONDOLENCES TO THE KENNEDY AND BESSETTE FAMILIES

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I rise to express my heartfelt sympathy to our colleague, Senator TED KENNEDY, and the whole Kennedy Family on the death of his nephew, John F. Kennedy,

John Kennedy, Jr. was much admired by all Americans. The son of Camelot. he was aware of his own celebrity but did not flaunt it.

His entry into politics—the Kennedy family business-would have been well paved for him, but he chose to go his own way. He succeeded in the extremely competitive publishing world. When failures in this industry outnumber successes, he created and built "George" into a popular and often insightful magazine. By all accounts, JFK, Jr. was a hands-on editor, had a fair hand, and had an eye for what would be interesting and fresh for American readers.

His marriage to Carolyn Bessette took America's number one bachelor off the market. But, it also gave his life new dimension.

We here in the Senate would be remiss if we did not also express our

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